

an extended perimeter means formed in said insert for overlying and protecting the elevated lip of the laboratory splash pan; and,

a reservoir formed within said insert for retention of a substance.

<sup>4</sup>  
~~27~~ (previously presented) The disposable barrier of claim <sup>3</sup>~~26~~ wherein said reservoir is integrally formed within a bottom surface of said insert.

<sup>5</sup>  
~~28~~ (previously presented) The disposable barrier of claim <sup>3</sup>~~26~~ further comprising a removable cover to secure a substance within said reservoir.

<sup>6</sup>  
~~29~~ (currently amended) A disposable barrier for a laboratory splash pan having a tray-like base, a raised enclosed canopy, and an elevated lip, comprising:

a non-porous rigid disposable insert, having a tray-like base, a raised end portion, wherein said portion encompasses a back wall and sections of two side panels contiguous with said back wall, and an elevated lip, shaped to provide protection to the interior surface of both the tray-like base and the raised enclosed canopy of the laboratory splash pan; and,

an extended perimeter means formed in said insert for overlying and protecting the elevated lip of the laboratory splash pan.

<sup>7</sup>  
~~30~~ (previously presented) The disposable barrier of claim <sup>6</sup>~~29~~ further comprising a reservoir formed within said insert.

8/31. (previously presented) The disposable barrier of claim <sup>6</sup>29 wherein said reservoir is integrally formed within a bottom surface of said insert.

9/32. (previously presented) The disposable barrier of claim <sup>6</sup>29 further comprising a removable cover to secure a substance within said reservoir.